

Amendments to the Claims

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Claim 1 (currently amended): An exposure device for exposing thermal printing plates by selectively burning away a surface of a printing plate, comprising:

a plate drum for holding the printing plate;

a pressure roller pressing the printing plate onto said plate drum during clamping and unclamping operations of the printing plate, said pressure roller having a non-adhesive surface; and

*A1* a pick-up roller in contact with said pressure roller, said pick-up roller having an adhesive surface and picking up combustion residue adhering to said pressure roller.

Claims 2-5 (cancelled)

Claim 6 (currently amended): In an exposure device for exposing thermal printing plates by selectively burning away a surface of a printing plate, the exposure device having a plate drum for holding the printing plates and a pressure roller with a non-adhesive surface pressing the printing plate onto the plate drum during clamping and unclamping operations of the printing plate, a cleaning device comprising:

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a pick-up roller in contact with the pressure roller, said  
pick-up roller having an adhesive surface and picking up  
combustion residue adhering to the pressure roller.

Claims 7-10 (cancelled)

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